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In re Application of :
Allan Svendsen et al :
Application No. 09/732,350 :
Filed: December 7, 2000 :
Attorney Docket No. 5200.220-US :

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition filed, July 13, 2006 under 37 CFR 1.137(b), to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the final Office action mailed January 26, 2005, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months.

Three months extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the above-identified application became abandoned on July 27, 2005.

The above-identified application is being revived solely for purposes of continuity with a Request For Continued Examination (RCE) filed on July 13, 2006.

An extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 must be filed prior to the expiration of the maximum extendable period for reply. See In re Application of S., 8 USPQ2d 1630, 1631 (Comm'r Pats. 1988). Accordingly, since the \$3180 extension of time submitted on February 20, 2006 was subsequent to the maximum extendable period for reply, this fee is unnecessary and will be credited to petitioner's deposit account.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to Irvin Dingle at (571) 272-3210.

This matters is being referred to Technology Center AU 1652 for further processing.

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